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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Halley et al.

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For: Water Vapor Permeable Composite
MaterialGroup Art Unit: 1771
Examiner: Befumo, J.*I hereby certify that this
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Beverly McLennanHonorable Commissioner of
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Washington, DC 20231October 3, 2002
(date of mailing document)**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Dear Sirs:

Applicants respectfully request, before any action on the continued prosecution application filed on August 26, 2002, that this preliminary amendment be entered and considered.

Please amend the application as follows:

In The Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 19, 20, and 28 as follows.

CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 121

1. A composite material for a garment comprising
- (a) a water-resistant, water-vapour-permeable, flexible porous membrane substrate having a first and second side;
 - (b) a fabric secured to said first side of the substrate; and
 - (c) a plurality of discrete abrasion-resisting polymeric dots forming a discontinuous lining-forming pattern over the surface of said second side of the substrate and which dots resist abrasion of the flexible substrate.